S. R. 1577, H. R. 1958, a resolution concerning the Appalachian National Park and Forest Reserve.

Placed on the Calendar.

On motion of Mr. Davidson, the rules are suspended and the resolution passes its second and third readings and is ordered enrolled.

S. B. 1400, H. B. 1957, a bill to be entitled an act to make appropriations for State institutions.

Placed on the Calendar.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE PRISON BUILDINGS.

Messrs. Graham and Ricks, for the joint committee to examine the State prison buildings near Raleigh with a view to ascertaining the feasibility of converting them into a hospital for the insane or other useful institution for the State, makes the following report, which is ordered spread on the Journal:

To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

The undersigned members of the joint committee appointed by yourselves, under authority of a joint resolution to examine the State prison buildings near the city of Raleigh with a view to ascertaining whether it was feasible to convert them into a hospital for the insane or any other useful institution for the State, beg leave to report:

That owing to the great pressure of business at this term of the General Assembly, we have been unable to give the matter the attention which it deserves, but, within the limited time allowed us, have thoroughly inspected the buildings and the surrounding premises, and beg leave to report that it is impossible now to find out accurately the total cost of the buildings, but from information heretofore compiled by